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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY FOR THE
INTENSIVE PROBATION SUPERVISION FOR HIGH-RISK FELONY AND REPEAT DRIVING
UNDER THE INFLUENCE OFFENDER PROGRAM**

(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

The County of Los Angeles Probation Department requests that your Board authorize the Chief Probation Officer to accept grant funding from the California Office of Traffic Safety on behalf of the County of Los Angeles to continue funding the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat Driving Under the Influence Offender Program currently established in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to accept grant funding estimated at \$300,000 from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) for the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Offender Program.
2. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer to execute any agreements, amendments, related documents, or extension with OTS.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to authorize the Chief Probation Officer to accept grant funding from OTS for the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program.

The County of Los Angeles Probation Department's (Probation) estimated allocation is \$300,000 for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. The funds will be accepted following your Board's approval. This grant funding will be used to continue the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program currently established in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas. Specifically, the grant funds will be utilized to continue Probation's efforts to reduce the number of alcohol-related traffic accidents through intensive supervision of probationers with multiple DUI convictions in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions are consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan Goal # 1 Operational Effectiveness. Implementation of the recommendations will enable Probation to continue efforts to reduce the number of alcohol-related traffic accidents in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Probation's estimated allocation is \$300,000 for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. There is no net County cost match requirement.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

In December 2005, the County of San Diego Probation Department (CSDPD) applied for the State OTS grant targeting DUI offenders on probation entitled "the California Probation Adult Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program." The grant application was submitted on behalf of 17 county probation departments, including the County of Los Angeles. CSDPD was the lead agency on the grant and served as the grant administrator.

The purpose of the grant funds was to help reduce the number of alcohol related traffic accidents by maximizing the ability to supervise caseloads for probationers with multiple DUI convictions. Due to the large number of DUI cases, Probation targeted the Pomona Valley area in the County of Los Angeles. On June 29, 2006, your Board adopted a resolution to support Probation's participation in the California Probation Adult Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program. Probation's allocation for this program was \$1,885,002.00 over a three-year period, commencing June 1, 2006 through May 31, 2009.

In November 2007, OTS released a grant application for the DUI Enforcement Program. Probation submitted its application to OTS on January 31, 2008.

On May 28, 2008, OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$962,559 for the period of October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2010. On November 12, 2008, your Board adopted a resolution to support Probation's participation in the DUI Enforcement Program.

On June 25, 2010, OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$265,000 for the period of October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011. On August 3, 2010, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program. Funding for this program was used to continue the

established services in the Pomona Valley area.

On August 30, 2011, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012. OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$270,000.00. Funding for this program was used to continue the established services in the Pomona Valley area.

On September 18, 2012, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program for the period of October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013. OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$268,000.00. Funding for this program was used to continue the established services in the Pomona Valley area and expand to include the San Gabriel Valley area.

Program services included:

- Intensive supervision and enforcement of court ordered conditions of probation
- Alcohol and other drug tests
- Monitoring of treatment participation, home visits, and use of electronic monitoring techniques and devices
- Participating in Sobriety Checkpoints in collaboration with the "Avoid The 100" coalition of law enforcement agencies with OTS-DUI grants

On September 17, 2013, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program for the period of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014. OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$265,000.00. Funding for this program was used to continue the established services in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas.

In January 2014, OTS released the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2014 grant application for the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program. Probation submitted its application to OTS on January 30, 2014. On June 18, 2014, OTS tentatively approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$300,000 for FFY 2014-15. Probation intends to use the OTS grant funds to continue funding the program services currently established in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas commencing October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended action will allow Probation to use the accepted OTS grant funds to continue its current DUI-related services in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jerry Powers", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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Chief Probation Officer

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Chief Executive Office
County Counsel